Queries to the Author

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Chapter Title: Overview of a Proposed Ecological Risk Assessment Process for Honey bees (*Apis mellifera*) and Non-*Apis* Bees

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		Figure 10-1. Diagram of Ecological Risk Assessment Process employed by US EPA
		Figure 10-2. Insect pollinator screening-level risk assessment process for foliarly applied pesticides.
		Figure 10-3. Higher-tier (refined) risk assessment process for foliarly applied pesticides.
		Figure 10-4. Insect pollinator screening-level risk assessment process for soil and seed treatment of systemic pesticides. Note that this flow chart may apply for trunk injection as well, as modalities of exposure of pollinators are similar as for
		soil/seed treatments. For trunk injection however, further data are needed to appropriately describe the range of expected residue concentrations in nectar
		and pollen. As a consequence no default value is currently available for a quantification of the risk (Boxes 3a and 3b). A

		compilation of available data could be made, with a particular attention to the corresponding injection protocols as it varies with the active substance involved and the tree. Figure 10-5. Higher-tier (refined) risk assessment process for soil and seed treatment applied systemic pesticides.
2 .	Author: The complete list of headings as appearing in the chapter is given below. Please check whether they have been given as intended. Please specify the change to be implemented, if any. 10.1 INTRODUCTION	Minor edits have been made to the headings listed in the adjacent column to make subheadings more consistent between sections. The authors encourage the editors to use their own discretion in assigning subheadings levels.
	10.2 PROTECTION GOALS, ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT ENDPOINTS, TRIGGER VALUES FOR TRANSITIONING TO HIGHER LEVELS OF REFINEMENT, AND RISK ASSESSMENT TERMINOLOGY	
	10.3 RISK ASSESSMENT FLOWCHARTS 10.4 SPRAY APPLICATIONS	
	10.5 SOIL AND SEED TREATMENT APPLICATIONS FOR SYSTEMIC SUBSTANCES	
	10.6 SCREENING LEVEL RISK ASSESSMENTS (TIER 1)	

10.7 FACTORS LIMITING CERTAINTY IN THE ${\tt SCREENING} \ \underline{{\tt ASSESSMENTSSTEP}}$ 10.8 REFINEMENT OPTIONS FOR SCREENING-LEVEL RISK ASSESSMENT 10.8.19 REFINEMENT OPTIONS FOR SPRAY APPLICATIONS 10.89.1.1 REFINEMENT OPTIONS -- APIS ADULTS 10.89.1.2 REFINEMENT OPTIONS—APIS LARVAE 10.89.1.3 REFINEMENT-OPTIONS—NON-APIS ADULTS $10.\underline{89}.\underline{1.}3.1$ Exposure 10.89.1.3.2 Effects 10.89.1.3.3 Risk Characterization (Estimation) 10.8.19.4 REFINEMENT OPTIONS—Non-APIS LARVAE 10.89.1.4.1 Exposure 10.8.19.4.2 Effects 10.89.1.4.3 Risk Characterization

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6.	Author: Please provide the expansions for the following abbreviations if deemed necessary. • "EPPO" • "LOC" • "WIIS" • "NOEC"	The definition for each of the acronyms is listed below and have been defined accordingly in the revised chapter: EPPO: European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization. LOC: Level of Concern WIIS: Wildlife Incident Investigation Scheme NOEC: no-observed effect concentration
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